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this number, 4 have proved fatal, 2 are expected to terminate fatally, and 4 will recover.

All have originated in the mill of Milne & Co., at Callao, and the germs of the disease are alleged to have been brought either from India in a cargo of rice or from Australia in a cargo of wheat, both of which were imported for the mill. Flour made from this wheat has been seized and destroyed wherever it has been possible to trace and find it, not only in Lima and Callao but in Pisco and several other points.

By supreme decree of the 9th instant, Ancón, 10 or 15 miles north of Callao, was proclaimed a port of entry in the latter's place during the continuance of the plague there.

The ports of Paita and Mollendo will decline to receive ships clearing from Callao, Ancón, or Pisco. Other ports will probably follow their example. It is reported that until confidence is reestablished no ship proceeding from any Peruvian port will be received at Guayaquil or Panama, or in Chili.

Statement of vice-consul at Callao.

In this connection Vice-Consul Cree at Callao reports, under date of May 12, that the outbreak in the flour mill of Milne & Co. occurred among laborers engaged during the night in cleaning a cesspool from which a number of dead rats were taken out. These men were all attacked simultaneously with severe sickness. No other cases occurred among the men employed in the mill, about 80 in all, nor in the family of Mr. Milne, who lives on the premises.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Reports from Manila—Cholera.

Assistant Surgeon Heiser, chief quarantine officer for the Philippine Islands, reports, April 23, as follows:

Cholera report, Manila.

Week ended April 18, 1903: 2 cases, 1 death; nationality, Filipino.
Week ended April 25, 1903: 3 cases, 2 deaths; nationality, Filipino.
Week ended May 2, 1903: 47 cases, 44 deaths; nationality, Filipino.

Report of cholera occurring in provincial towns in the Philippine Islands for the week ended April 18, 1903.

Place.	Province.	Cases.	Deaths.
Donsol	Sorsogon	69	66
Guinobatan	Albay	9	14
Oas	do	9	8
Polangui	do	6	4
Cebu	Island of Cebu	1	0
Catbalogan	Island of Samar	2	2
Tagbilaran	Islands of Bohol and Panay	5	3
Capiz	Province of Capiz	1	1
Maayon	do	10	4
Panay	do	92	60
Pontevedra	do	9	9
Panitan	do	27	15
San Carlos	Islands of Negros and Mindanao	13	8
Surigao	Province of Surigao	1	1
Misamis	Province of Misamis	4	3
Total		258	198
Not previously reported		51	49
		309	247